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Local band entertains with blues pieces

K-State faculty members connect with each other, audience through music

Jakki Thompson assistant news editor

Audience members packed into the Red Rocks Tavern, a bar off of Highway 24 in Manhattan, to watch The Red State Blues Band perform on Saturday night.

The Red State Blues Band is a local music group comprised of K-State faculty members. Students who work with these eight professors and other locals watched the band perform.

"We always have fun when we perform," said Stephen Dyer, keyboardist of RSBB and professor of electrical and computer engineering. "We play a wide variety of blues music. Everything from southern slide to boogies to modern blues, as well as playing six or eight of our group's original songs."

Although the members are familiar with a broad genre of music, the band prefers to stick to blues when they practice and per-

"I had never listened to blues music before coming to the United States," said Ziyi Wang, graduate student in biology. After I went to a previous gig, I realized how much I really love this music and this band. I bought one of their CDs and it is the only thing I ever play in my car. When one song finishes, I know exactly which song is next. I absolutely love their music.'

The band has played at all sorts of venues from bars to festivals and everything in between. The Red Rocks Tavern had a small corner for the band to perform, and, with eight members, the space restriction seemed crowded to some. The members of the group, however, said that they were used to adjusting to space, or lack thereof.

Bars we play at typically have a small stage," said Seth Galitzer, vocalist for RSBB and information systems coordinator for computing and information sciences. "Each bar we play at are all set up differently. We have learned to adjust and make it work



Lead singer and saxophone player **Seth Galitzer**, information systems coordinator for computing and information sciences, performs a solo for the Red State Blues Band during the opening song Saturday night at Red Rock Tavern.

no matter where we are."

Galitzer is the lead vocalist, and also plays the saxophone during performances. John Fellers, assistant professor of plant pathology, sings the backup vocals for the group and is also the sound technician. The two guitarists of the band are Bernd Friebe, research professor of plant pathology, and John Blair, distinguished professor of biology.

Walter Dodds, distinguished professor of biology, plays harmonica, and Mike Herman, professor of biology, brings the band together with his bass guitar. Dyer is on the organ and keys while Neil Dunn, instructor in

dance, plays percussion. 'Michael Herman is actually one of our professors and he wanted us to come," said Chen Peng, graduate student in microbiology. "I really like it. In high school, I played guitar. I always wanted to be a part of a band, but that never came true. It feels close because he is my professor and I was here watching him perform in such a small setting. I absolutely loved the experi-

Gallitzer said the group

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Students unite to support Chinese leukemia patient

Freshman Pandy Zhang heads fundraising effort to save friend's life, raises over \$4,000

Kaitlin West contributing writer

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While many K-State students are busy balancing school and social activities, one group of students have spent their time the past several days helping a student halfway around the world.

Yan Zhu, a college student in China, was diagnosed with a very aggressive form of leu-kemia about a month ago. Zhu started bleeding from the mouth one day, and when she was not able to stop it, she was rushed to the hospi-tal, where the diagnosis was made.

Yingjie "Pandy" Zhang, freshman in hotel and restaurant management, was Zhu's roommate their senior of high school in China. Zhang found out about Zhu's diagnosis about two weeks ago, and immediately wanted to help her family with the financial responsibility for Zhu's surgery and recovery.

Zhang turned to her K-State friends for support and they responded by setting up a table in the K-State Student Union for students to donate money to help Zhu and her family.

Annie Hanson, sophomore in painting, Megan Bruce, shman in psychology, and Christine Kim, sophomore in English, manned the table and talked to students on Friday.

Hanson said that about 20 people, primarily residents of Moore Hall, got involved in the efforts to help Zhu, along with everyone who has do-

nated money.
"I'm Pandy's RA in Moore Hall, and when she told me about her friend I wanted to help her however I could,"

Hanson said. Christine Kim, Zhang's close friend, said when she and Hanson heard about Zhu's diagnosis, they wanted to help in whatever way they were able.

The table that the volunteers worked was set up in the Union from Feb. 22-24. As of Friday morning, they had raised \$4,229.59 to send to Zhu's family.

"I've been completely overwhelmed by how genercompletely ous people have been," said Hanson.

Kim has had family members pass away from cancer, but this is her first experience volunteering to help a cancer

patient.

"It brings back hurtful memories, but seeing people donate feels good," Kim said.
"It makes me feel grateful to see people donating all this money to help a girl they don't even know."

The table featured information in Chinese and English about Thu and her

English about Zhu and her situation, as well as orange ribbons for people to wear in support and a large piece of paper for people to write messages of encouragement

to Zhu.
Without the surgery, she is estimated to live about a month longer. The surgery has about a 50 percent success rate and her recovery time will depend on how well the surgery goes. While Shu's family is able to pay for her surgery, the recovery costs are also expensive. The money raised at K-State will help fund Zhu's recovery from the surgery.

"My friends back in China

have already started fundraising around the country so they've got the money for the surgery," Zhang said. "The recovery fee for recovery and care is very expensive. I learned from her mom she will need more than \$2,000 per day for her care now to get ready for her surgery."

Zhang spoke of other friends in China and around the world that have also been raising money to help Zhu's family. In four days alone, Zhu's friends have raised over \$55,000 for her family.

"I didn't expect so many people to donate, I've been really surprised by peo-ple's willingness to help my friend," Zhang said. "Thank you everybody who helps and is willing to help; it means a

lot to [Zhu]." Anyone who would like to donate money or simply send words of encouragement to Zhang, email lovepie@ksu.

UNION PROGRAM COUNCIL

'Grocery Bingo' attracts students with pizza, prizes

Kayla Sloan

Shouts of "Bingo!" rang through the air at the K-State Student Union on Friday as the Union Program Council hosted "Grocery Bingo." The event provided students with a place for safe, fun entertainment.

Bailey McHenry, junior in food science and industry, said she enjoyed Grocery Bingo and plans on attending more UPC events in the future.

This is my first UPC event," McHenry said. "I came with a group of friends because we were looking for something fun to do on a Friday night."

Most students in attendance agreed that the offer of free food was what drew them in. UPC offered free pizza at the beginning of the event for all participants and gave approximately \$800 worth of groceries, three \$50 Dillons gift cards for use on groceries or gas and a final prize, an Xbox 360 to bingo winners.

Austin Narverud, UPC After Hours co-chair and senior in mechanical engineering, was part of the five-person team that hosted Grocery Bingo.

He said Grocery Bingo is one of the easier events hosted by the After Hours committee, only requiring a few hours of pre-planning, grocery purchases and other prizes.

Narverud said they spent about four hours for set-up and clean-up on the night of the event and that the total time put into the event was about 15 hours. His favorite part of planning Grocery Bingo was pur-

chasing the groceries. 'You get to stick your hand on the shelf and knock all the food into the cart," Narverud said. "We had about six carts full and the cashiers were

Narverud said the committee chose items that they thought students would like to

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Student organization shares Kuwaiti culture

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"Marhaba," which means "welcome" in Arabic, was the first word many people heard when entering the Kuwaiti Student Organization's celebration of Kuwaiti at the K-State International Student Center on Saturday evening.
The event brought people of

many different backgrounds together to celebrate the independence and liberation of Kuwait, a small Middle Eastern country iust east of Iraq.

While attending the event, guests experienced Kuwaiti cul-ture while learning about the history through a number of different available activities.

Several members of the organization guided the guests through a timeline full of pictures and provided them with information about Kuwait's history, current state and future

"I didn't do a presentation

because a presentation would have a set time," said Fahed Al Khaledi, sophomore in architectural engineering and president of the Kuwaiti Student Organization. "We all can

speak good English and could talk for up to an hour. But the photo talks to your mind. I could talk to you, but when you see the photo it will copy and paste it in your mind."

To add to the the experience, the Kuwaiti members were dressed in traditional Kuwaiti clothing. The clothing consisted of a

black robe called a dishdasha, as well as a white head cloth called a ghutra. The ghutra was topped with a black cloth ring around the head, which is called an egal.

Attendees could also have

their own picture taken in a type of Kuwaiti winter coat called a besht. After photos, participants had the chance to see their English name translated into Arabic writing.

The people in attendance

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sophomore in architectural engineering and president of the Kuwaiti Student Organization

ous activities was a Kuwaiti Fahed Al Khaledi dinner, which consisted of traditional foods meats served with rice, such

> camel and chicken. "It was certainly a lot of fun," said Cameron Nedland, senior in economics. "You can only learn so much from the media, but tonight I was able to learn more about Kuwaiti history."

Vincent Tan, senior in mechanical engineering and in-ternational affairs director of the Student Governing Association, was in attendance on Saturday and said he thought international organizations like the KSO are very important for K-State to move forward.

"It has really helped to promote the cultural change and help American students have a better relationship with international students," Tan said. "K-State has a unique diversity aspect, and organizations like this really help to contribute to the future of Kansas State."

Fairly new to K-State, the Kuwaiti Student Organization was just formed in September 2011. It is a non-profit organization that gains funding mostly through private donation and already consists of over 40 members.

"Our membership is open to all the students at Kansas State," Al Khaledi said. "The point of this organization is not to help Kuwaiti people. The main goal of the organization is just to represent Kuwait in front of our brother Americans and any international students the best



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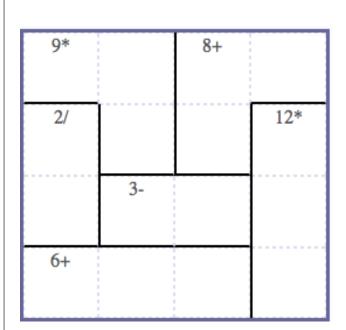
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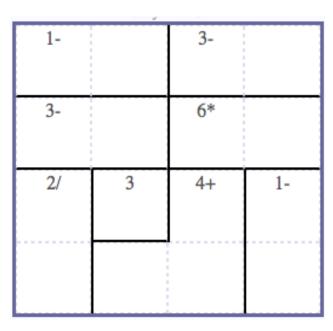
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Students should support Glaser, Hampton in SGA election



Last Friday, a university employee sent several students an email that voiced a clear opinion on the ongoing student govern-ment election. The tirade sent over the Listserv of the Multicultural Student Organization office, personally attacked candidates

Corey Glaser and Michael

Hampton and urged subscribers to work against their candidacy. The hateful message called

Glaser and Hampton's vision "skewed" and derided the enthusiasm their campaign has generated as "disturbingly supportive." The email lamented that K-State students may be "ignorant

enough to vote Corey Glaser and Michael Hampton into office," adding "we can't chance that." On the K-State website, the Multicultural Student Organization is listed as a K-State Student Union office alongside operations like Union Program Coun-

> Office of Student Activities and Services. The email's distributor, disturbingly, is named as the office's contact person. One can't help but wonder if that individu-

cil and

al's job description includes attacking students as well as advocating for them. The email was provoked by

a Feb. 16 Collegian article on Glaser and Hampton's candidacy. In the article, Glaser questioned why \$26,000 of student money is being spent on a lecture from rapper Mos Def.
"There was probably

an equally good speaker available for a lot less," Glaser noted. "Is this really how the students want

their money spent?"

Glaser has a good reason to be concerned. That so much money is being handed to a single speaker is suspicious given the difficulty that that many organizations have securing any funding

"College Republicans has been denied every time on all requests for the past three years," said George Weston, graduate student in sociology and former president of the K-State College Republi-

It is logical that the Student Governing Association would decline to fund events that would not attract students. Yet, although they may keep quiet in your expository writing class, many K-State students are conservative. One need only open the Collegian to see that College Republicans events generate significant turnout. It's difficult to believe that lack of appeal truly accounts for three years of being stonewalled.

In last week's debates, Glaser and Hampton pointed out that when Young Americans for Liberty requested \$600 to bring a foreign policy speaker, their request and two subsequent appeals were denied — despite raising more money each time. In 2010, YAL hosted a lecture from Tom Woods, Ph.D., that attracted more than 200 people.

The students in these organizations pay the same tuition and privilege fee money as everyone else. All students, regardless of their beliefs or culture, should have equal access to money that we all equally provide. Despite its supposed commitment to diversity, our student government is apparently unconcerned with diversity of thought.

In a Feb. 20 letter to the editor, Anita Easterwood, junior in art, wrote "it was a small group of 10 people that invited Mos Def."

That a group of 10 people can get \$26,000 while a large group cannot get \$600 is exactly the problem.

A Nov. 29, 2011, Collegian article reported that SGA approved roughly \$100,000 of Diversity Programming Committee funding for just 12 groups. This is more than the regular SGA

allocations committee is given to divide among the hundreds of other organizations on campus.

On the OSAS web page, under "SGA Funding for Organizations," students can see all the funding that DPC has allocated. A look at the page reveals that, over the past six years, tens of thousands of dollars have been concentrated in the hands of a select few organizations — ironically in the name of diversity.

Personal connections seem to matter more than the nature of the groups that apply — Glaser and Hampton have noted that the Multicultural Business Student Association has also had a hard time obtaining funding.

Indeed, many of the students who vote on how this colossal pile of money is spent are unelected appointées. Some organizations that receive DPC funding even have seats on the committee. This should strike any objective observer as a glaring conflict of

The process by which student organizations are allocated money is fundamentally flawed. Though they have been the subject of personal attacks by those who would silence dissent to protect the status quo, Glaser and Hampton are right to advocate for increased representation and equity in the allocations process.

During Tuesday's vice presidential debate, candidate Allison Penner said that she trusts the current allocations process. Her running mate, presidential candidate Garrett Lister, told audience members on Feb. 22 that he would support giving even more money to DPC. It's clear that Corey Glaser and Michael Hampton are the only candidates offering a real alternative to the status quo on this and other vital questions.

Tuesday morning, when online voting opens at *sgaelections.ksu*. edu, let's make this an election about issues — not personal connections and vested financial

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear K-State students,

As honorary chairs for the xth annual K-State Proud campaign, we whole-heartedly encourage the K-State family to support this worthy effort.

Ît's the Wildcat way to help members of the K-State family and that's why we wanted to be involved in K-State Proud. This special campaign sets K-State — and you — apart from other universities. Over the past five years, your efforts have helped raise more than \$450,000 for Student Opportunity and Hero awards. These awards make a big difference to your fellow students, especially in a tough

Our goal this year is to raise \$120,000. So show your Wildcat pride and keep the K-State Proud tradition a growing success by wearing your T-shirt on campus this week. Join us on Saturday for the whiteout in Bramlage Coliseum for the men's and women's basketball games. You can buy your K-State Proud shirt from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. this week by the K-State Student Union Food Court. Also follow Kirk's tweets, @kstate_pres, to learn how to win two free K-State Proud shirts each day this week.

Students helping students sets an example we can all learn from and follow. Your donation, combined with others, will help meet the immediate needs of deserving K-State students.

Join us and be K-State Proud.

Sincerely,

Kirk and Noel Schulz President and first lady of K-State University Twitter: @kstate_pres

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Rational decisions make voting a popularity contest



Brian Hampel

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Illustration by Parker Wilheln

Congratulations — you've decided to participate in the democratic process and vote in the primary elections this year. Whether you're a Republican, Democrat or Independent, you're going to help your party decide which candidates will appear on the ballot come November, and there is probably a pool of half a dozen options to choose from. You step into the voting booth and look at the ballot, and instantly your eyes find the candidate who clicks with you on a personal level. You then check the box by the name of someone different, because let's be honest, voting for your favorite candidate can be a waste of a vote. You have to love democracy.

It often strikes me as bizarre that we have a voting system in which it can be perfectly rational to vote for a candidate other than the one we want to win. While general elections are basically one-or-the-other decisions, the multitude of choices in the primary elections show just how weird voting is when you apply some game theory.

From a pragmatic standpoint, it's only worthwhile to vote for a candidate who has a reasonable chance of winning the primary. The classic "throw your vote away" and "lesser of two evils" arguments are morally uneasy ways of

approaching voting, but alas, the premise makes sense. Why vote for a fringe candidate with little or no chance of winning when you can have a better, more notable impact by voting for the most tolerable of the candidates with good

chances of winning? Furthermore, a good candidate also has to have a chance in the general election. Even if a fairly radical candidate was polling well and had a good shot at receiving the party's nomination, potential voters have to consider the long term. Someone too radical might be unelectable in the national election, and most primary voters would rather see the White House to be filled by a moderate from their own party than by anyone from the opposing party. Plus, if there are rumors that a particular candidate's campaign is running out of money (a la Tim Pawlenty) or involved in some kind of scandal (a la Herman Cain), it might be wise to consider the possibility of him or her dropping out of the race soon, in which case it is better to vote for someone else who is more likely to finish out the primary season.

So, why do people consciously, or subconsciously, make such complicated, calculated decisions and not simply vote for the candidate they want to see in the White House? Because the vote is not a simple process, and people have to fully understand the social nature of voting and campaigning if they want an acceptable candidate to win the election. It's precisely because people make these complicated, albeit smart and sensible, decisions when voting that the vote doesn't

show us who the people want for president, but who the people think the rest of the people want and is still tolerable as a president.

Doing research, I discov-

ered that I was beaten to these notions over 50 years ago by an economist named Kenneth Arrow. Arrow's impossibility theorem mathematically proved that in any system with three or more choices, voters' preferences cannot be accurately reflected with any reliability. In short, if several individuals are asked to rank three candidates by preference, the overall result from the group could be a simple hierarchy of the candidates, but it could just as easily (if not more easily) be a rock-paperscissors triangle. It gets even more

of the three, because they must decide how they think the rest of the group, or even other groups voting later, would preference the three. In my opinion, the most unsettling feature of all this voting theory is that we have to consider others' opinions and voting habits when making our

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electable in the general election requires us to have some grasp of public opinion. When we guess what others' opinions will be, we tend to think others will go with conservative, boring choices. From movie studios and record labels to pollsters and news outlets, it's rare that anyone assumes that public opinion will favor something bold.

Mitt Romney is a frontrunner because voters see him as a safe choice, and he's a safe choice because he's considered a frontrunner. Even though Romney isn't particularly well-respected, even among

Republicans, people vote for him because they

lieve other people will also vote for him. It's a vicious cycle. It's probably not a cycle that can be broken, either, because breaking it would require either a lot of media attention for a fresher selection of candidates or, even less likely, a lot of principled (i.e. not pragmatic) voting behavior. Why would anyone vote on principle if we know that others aren't going to do the same? As long as there is voting, the democratic process won't always allow us to vote for our favorite candidates and feel good about it.

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ONLINE POLL

This week's question:

Which issues do you think the K-State presidential and vice presidential candidates should focus on in the upcoming election?

- **1** Parking on campus
- **2** SGA spending
- **3** Academic advising
- **4** Classroom equipment

To cast your vote, head online to kstatecollegian.com.

Last week's question:

What do you think the punishment should be for **Cole Drake**, 15-year-old Manhattan resident, who shot and killed a classmate last year?

- 1 Adult Trial 76%
- 2 Probation 5%
- 3 Juvenile imprisonment 17%
- 4 Let him go free 2%

Total number of votes: 109

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Faculty, staff and students:

I would like to personally address the article "Public universities' should not accept students from countries that have bad relations with US" that was published in the Friday, Feb. 24 edition of the Colle-

On the opinion page that day, the Collegian published two articles that were on opposing sides of the argument about internationalization of universities in the United States. This head-to-head format is designed to simultaneously present arguments that spur discussion within our community, on and off campus.

I would like to make it known that opinions of individual reporters do not represent the opinions of the Collegian staff or of Student Publications.

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I have read each letter and response to the article published on Friday that was sent to the Collegian. Some of them are published on page 6 of today's paper. I encourage readers to look at these letters as well as the counter-argument written by Andy Rao, also published on Friday, Feb. 24. While readers may find certain controversial issues upsetting, it is exactly for that reason that we promote dialogue about these issues. If these opinions are not acknowledged there will never be a chance of resolution. I also want to emphasize the power of discussion. The Collegian website provides a forum, because frank, well-educated discussion is important. I appreciate the passionate response we've received and hope readers continue to engage in discourse with each other and with the Collegian.

Caroline Sweeney Editor-in-Chief

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Wildcats swept away by Cyclones in second matchup this season

Scott Christopherson leads Iowa State with game-high 29 points, but 'that is not what cost us the game, Frank Martin says

Corbin McGuire staff writer

The K-State men's basketball team dropped its fourth game on its home court this season to Iowa State on Saturday in a 65-61 loss. The Cyclones were led by a breakout game from Iowa State senior guard Scott Christopherson.

Head coach Frank Martin was disappointed with his team's outing, especially coming off of two high-caliber

"We are bad. I wish I could give you a rocket science answer or explanation of why we got beat, but you have to give credit to Iowa State," Martin said after the game. "There is a reason they are above us in the conference standings. They have proven that they are a better team than

Christopherson hit 10-of-13 from the field and all five of his 3-point attempts for a game-high 29 points.

"He has been phenomenal the last couple of weeks, just playing with so much confidence," said Iowa State head coach Fred Hoiberg of Christopherson. "Those little floaters and runners — he was not sitting in the lane — those are tough shots, especially with the length that K-State has. It just shows how complete of a player he is."

The Wildcats could not produce enough points to overcome Christopherson's hot hand, and they struggled from behind the arc, where they hit 3-of-17.

Junior forward Jordan Henriquez led the Wildcats in multiple categories and flirted with a triple-double with his 19 points, 12 rebounds and seven blocks.

"He has been great lately," Martin said of Henriquez. "He protects the rim. I could not take him out of the game today. When we took that



Senior forward **Jamar Samuels** leaps over an Iowa State defender. On Tuesday, K-State will play Texas A&M in College Station, Texas, in their last scheduled meeting before the Aggies leave the Big 12 Conference.

lead in the second half, I had to make some substitutions to get some guys a breath, and now all of the sudden, we went from up 6 to down 5."

Both teams struggled out of the gate, scoring 8 combined points in the first five minutes of play. The Wildcats held a brief 6-2 lead until Christopherson and the Cyclones

began to catch fire on offense. The Iowa lead grew to 14 in the first half, but the Wildcats cut the lead to 10 just before the half off of a traditional 3-point play that stemmed from a Henriquez alley-oop from freshman guard Angel Rodriguez.

Rodriguez played 36 solid minutes for the Wildcats, adding 11 points, eight assists and only one turnover.

Christopherson gave the Wildcats fits in the first half especially, hitting a perfect percentage from the field, 3-point line and free-throw line to account for 18 points.

"We knew that they were going to play a certain way. He [Hoiberg] puts plays in specifically for this game and we thought we could kind of take advantage of the way we chase screens, and I was able to get some open looks," Christopherson said of his first half performance. "I have to give credit to my teammates for setting screens."

Junior guard Rodney Mc-Gruder came up second in the Wildcats' scoring margin but struggled to find a rhythm all game. McGruder hit 5-of-13 from the field for his 13 points, but had a nose for the ball, coming up with 11 rebounds to attain his fifth career double-double.

Besides the 3-point cat-egory, where the Cyclones hit 11 shots compared to the Wildcats' three, both teams were nearly identical in every statistical aspect. The Cyclones outrebounded the Wildcats by a narrow margin, 37 to 35, but they turned their 11 rebounds into 14 second-chance points. Down 10 at the half, the

Wildcats began to hit their stride in the second half and went on a 17-1 run to take a 40-38 lead highlighted by 3-point baskets from McGruder and Rodriguez.

The Cyclones responded accordingly with an 8-0 run that was capped off with consecutive 3-point baskets from junior guards Chris Babb and Tyrus McGee.

Both teams battled back and forth for the lead until two isolation buckets from Christopherson separated the Cyclones for a 55-50 lead.

The Wildcats closed the gap to tie the game at 61-61 with 1:42 to play, but Christopherson proved to be the difference, once again, and hit a 3-point bucket 12 seconds later to put the finishing touches on his magical performance.

"You have to give Christo-pherson credit," Martin said of the Wildcats' defense on Christopherson's last 3-pointer. "But that is not what cost us the game; what cost us the game is selfishness, immaturity and nonsense for the past two days."

The Wildcats will take to the road Tuesday when they go to College Station, Texas to face off with the Texas A&M Aggies for the last scheduled time, as the Aggies will jump to the Southeastern Conference in 2012-13. The game is set to tip off at 6 p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

K-State falls to bottom-ranked Missouri in OT loss

contributing writer

Editor's Note: This article was completed as an assignment for a class in the A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

The idiom "close, but no cigar" rang true for the K-State women's basketball team (18-10, 9-7 Big 12 Conference) as they fell short to the Missouri Tigers (12-15, 2-14 Big 12) in overtime, 61-56, on Saturday afternoon in Columbia, Mo.

"Well, I think they are significantly better," said K-State head coach Deb Patterson about the difference in the Tigers since the last time the two teams met up. "They just have a better feel for where they want the ball each possession. They are putting themselves in position relative to their strengths to maximize that possession. They are better competitively. Like I said, they finished the

game better than we did." The Wildcats were paced by the senior inside-outside combo of guard Tasha Dickey and forward Jalana Childs, who had 18 and 15

points, respectively.

Missouri was led by the inside scoring of senior forwards Christine Flores and BreAnna Brock. Flores was the Tigers' top scorer, scoring a game-high 20 points on 5-of-8 shooting from the field, including two baskets from behind the arc. Brock tallied a double-double with 15 points and a game-high 10 rebounds. The Tigers also had a spark off the bench with junior guard Liene Priede, who had 11 points as a reserve, including 9 of Missouri's final 12 points.

The first half was a back-andforth struggle between the Big 12 foes, who were playing their last regular season conference game, as Missouri is headed to the Southeastern Conference for the 2012-13 season.

Junior guard Brittany Chambers put K-State ahead with a layup to take a 19-18 advantage with 7:18 left in the first half. After that basket, the lead seesawed back and forth as the teams swapped the lead eight times before the intermission, when the Tigers and Wildcats headed into the locker room deadlocked at 27 points.

Missouri came out of the locker room on a 7-2 run to give the Tigers an early second-half lead. A 3-point play from Childs ignited the Wildcats to an 8-1 run as K-State reclaimed the lead, 42-39, with 7:51 remaining in regulation.

Missouri went on a 4-0 scoring run of their own to recapture the lead. But Childs answered Missouri's run with her own personal 4-0 run to put the Wildcats ahead 46-42 with 4:46 to play.

The Tigers ended regulation on a 10-3 rally to send the game into overtime. K-State shot themselves in the foot, only shooting 50 percent, or 3-of-6, from the free-throw line in the final minute, failing to close out the Tigers. However, K-State held onto a 53-50 lead with 12.6 seconds remaining. Following a timeout, Priede banked in a 3-pointer to send the game into overtime, knotted at

53 points.
"Our decisions were very questionable, they weren't consistent and again on the road a team with nothing to lose," Patterson said. "They [Missouri] have been playing well relative to early in the year, and we just did not take advantage of opportunities that we had. Whether it was possessions, whether they were the lead, whether they were trips to the foul line, big rebounds that we could convert and eat up clock we threw out of bounds, just decisions that are going to beat you."

The game went into overtime and the Tigers rode the momentum, outscoring K-State 8-3 in the final five-minute session. Priede built on her success at the end of regulation, scoring five points in overtime, including closing the game out a per-

fect 3-of-3 from the line. "This a big win," said Missouri head coach Robin Pingeton. "Kansas State is a very good team. They've got some tremendous players and a great coaching staff. I'm excited for our girls because we've talked about this a lot. I truly believe we're a better team than we were a month ago."

The Wildcats will be on the road Wednesday with a showdown against Iowa State in Ames, Iowa. The game is set to tip off at 7 p.m.

Men, women find best team finishes in years

Adam Suderman

K-State track and field has been in the process of putting together one of its most successful seasons in recent years.

At the Big 12 Indoor Championships, the Wildcat women had their best finish in three years, finishing seventh, and the men finished fourth, their best score in seven years.

Texas A&M won the team titles on both the men's and women's sides. The women's side was rather convincing, beating second-place

Texas by 38 points. As a team, K-State finished with five individual titles through the weekend.

Junior Erik Kynard picked up his second consecutive title in the men's high jump, clearing 7-5.25. Freshman Alyx Treasure won the women's high jump with her best jump of the season, 6-0. The leap gives Treasure the fourth best jump in the nation.

Fellow freshman Joslyn Barnes finished fifth in the women's high jump at 5-8.75. The jump was also Barnes' best of the season.

K-State continued to show its dominance in the combined events. This year was the first time since 2005 the men had champions and the first time for the women since 2007.

Senior Ryann Krais took first in the women's pentathlon with 4,079 points. Senior Mairead Murphy finished third with 3,934 points.

The short sprints have been strong for the men's team this season and the Wildcats ran well again this weekend.

The group was highlighted by senior Jeffrey Julmis, who took the victory in the men's 60-meter hurdles with a time of 7.75 seconds – the first Wildcat victory in the event in the Big 12 era. Senior Mantas Silkauskas also ran in the final, placing sixth with a time of 7.96

Sophomore Carlos Rodriguez came away with a sixth-place finish in the men's 60-meter dash. He clocked in at 6.80 seconds.

Senior Boglarka Bozzay continued her undefeated season, crossing the finish line first in the women's 1,000-meter run in 2:47.02. Bozzay defended her No. 1 ranking in the conference and accomplished her goal of winning her first Big 12 Conference title.

Sophomore Kyle Hanson and senior Jacob Davies came away with a pair of sixth place finishes. Hanson took sixth in the men's 1,000meter run with a time of 2:26.28. Davies finished in 1:49.93 for a new personal record in the men's 800-meter run.

The team of Krais, freshman Sarah Kolmer, sophomore Erica Twiss and freshman Sophia Alonso combined to break the school record in the women's 4x400 meter relay clocking in at 3:40.38 and finishing seventh.

Some Wildcats will travel to the Alex Wilson Last Chance meet in South Bend, Ind., to try to qualify for the NCAA Indoor Championships on March 9-10.

BASEBALL

Team returns from California road trip with 3-4 record

Spencer Low

The baseball team went .500 over the weekend in the San Diego Tournament to make it 3-4 on the season after a 10-day, seven-game road trip in California. K-State played three teams in the tournament, sweeping San Diego State University in two games, and losing one apiece to the University of San Diego and No. 19 Oregon State.

On Thursday night against San Diego State, the Wildcats enjoyed a good start from senior pitcher Kayvon Bahramzadeh and a hot start by the offense, winning the game 7-2. Bahramzadeh only needed 69 pitches to pitch six innings, allowing only one run off four hits with a walk and two strikeouts. He was perfect through the first three and didn't allow a hit until

"We really needed something good to happen for us, and it started on the mound," head coach Brad Hill said. "He did a great job. He cruised through the first three innings, and he showed great poise and composure when he lost his feel in the fourth and

The offense came out hot in re-

sponse to their pitcher, scoring five of their runs in the first three innings and totaling 10 hits, including three each from sophomore Jared King and senior Wade Hinkle, who also both had an RBI. Three of the Wildcats' runs came with two outs, something Hill was very pleased with.

"The two-out RBIs are big. That's what wins games," Hill said. "We talked about that a lot.

After last weekend, we felt like we didn't compete at the plate or have a good approach of what we were trying to do. Hopefully those guys learn from that because that's what really made us so productive tonight."

After a successful Thursday, the Wildcats lost 15-1 on Friday to the University of San Diego. K-State was only down by 2 going into the seventh inning, but watched the

Toreros run away with the game late. Senior starter Matt Applegate was charged with five runs off six hits over 6.1 innings, but did have seven strikeouts. He gave up three runs in the first three innings, but retired 11 straight batters until the seventh, when he was pulled after allowing a leadoff single and a walk. Sophomore Shane Conlon entered the game and allowed a walk and a sacrifice fly, resulting in another call to the bullpen for junior Jake Doller, who gave up a three-run homer to USD sophomore slugger Kris Bryant. After the five-run seventh, USD scored seven more in the eighth, three off Doller and four off freshman Caleb Wallingford. Playing Diego State for the

"You couldn't draw it up any better than that."

offensive explosion, winning the game 15-7. K-State's 21 Brad Hill hits were the most baseball head coach in a game in almost

> getting 21 against Western Michigan on March 2, 2010. In the third inning, the Wildcats scored six two-out RBIs and scored eight overall in the frame.

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"You couldn't draw it up any better than that," Hill said. "We hit a ton of singles. The selfishness wasn't there today. We just did what we had to do to score runs. It was a good offensive approach. I hope the kids saw that and can learn from it. You can have a big offensive day when no one tries to do

too much. No one tried to hit home

runs. We just had a lot of singles. Then, a few singles turn into a few doubles. That's the way we want to play offense." King led all hitters with a career-

tying four hits and one RBI. Seniors Jake Brown and Dan Klein, and sophomore Blair DeBord had three hits each and six Wildcats had two RBIs. In the last game of the trip, the

Wildcats faced off with No. 19 Oregon State yesterday, losing 13-5, plagued again by big innings. Oregon State was up 6-0 after three innings, and despite K-State fighting to cut the lead to two, they allowed six unearned runs in the sixth inning, including a grand slam by junior Danny Hayes that turned a 7-4 game into an 11-4 game.

Sophomore starter Jared Moore took the loss for K-State after allowing six runs in two innings of work. He was followed by sophomore Gerardo Esquivel, who held the Beavers to one run in his two innings, and then Conlon allowed six unearned runs in the sixth. Four Wildcats had two hits each, and senior Mike Kindel slugged his second homer of the year.

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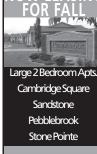
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Feb. 24 column widely disputed by K-Staters

To the Editor:

On Feb. 24 an article was published in he Collegian by opinion writer Sean Frye. The article was titled "Public universities should not accept students from countries that have bad relations with US." In the article Frye claims that K-State and all U.S. public universities should not accept students from Afghanistan, China, Iran, Iraq and Turkey. Frye gives two reasons for his opinion. The first is that U.S. taxpayer money is being spent on these students to the degree of, according to his calculations, \$6.9 million at K-State. The second is because these students "could, in the near future, become the enemy."

Frye's opinion is both ignorant and offensive. To address his first concern, international students pay K-State large amounts of money in out-of-state tuition. By my calculations if only K-State's 721 Chinese undergraduates are each enrolled in 15 credits hours at a cost of \$9,561.60, they would collectively be paying K-State \$6.9 million in tuition each year. This calculation

does not include international students from countries other than China, graduate students, it does not figure in the cost of living in the dorms or Jardine apartments as do many international students, and it does not include the money international students spend in town helping the local economy. Thus Frye's argument that the 972 international students that he states could "become the enemy" are not paying for themselves is incorrect.

Now I will address the offensive part of Frye's argument. First, why punish the people of a particular country for where they are born?

Śecond, education is not a weapon. Education should be a right. Furthermore, educating students in the U.S. will give them the opportunity to be exposed to Western perspectives. Keeping people out signals to other nationalities that the U.S. is not being friendly. Also, what would Frye say if the countries he lists would not let U.S. students study abroad in their bordor?

Third, China is communist in

name only and communism is not a threat to the U.S.

Fourth, many of the international students, especially graduate students, come to the U.S. to study hard sciences. This niche is left open by U.S. students. Although I believe in the value of a liberal arts education, if Frye wants to replace international students with U.S. students, maybe he should switch his journalism and mass communications major to a science degree.

Fifth, international students at K-State and everywhere already have enough stress in their lives with adapting to living in a new country, speaking a foreign language, dealing with visas and other paperwork and being thousands of miles and an expensive plane ticket away from their homes. What they need is to be welcomed and supported. K-State and the Manhattan community already do not do enough for these students. The last thing they need is someone telling them they should not even be here.

Ellen Welti senior in history and biology

To the Editor:

Mr. Frye's opinion piece "Public Universities Should Not Accept Students from Countries That Have Bad Relations with the US" is deeply misinformed and full of non-sequiturs. The most salient claim seems to be that K-State should not be spending "nearly \$7 million in government funding (...) to educate international students from nations that are not friendly with the U.S.' This plainly ignores the fact that international students pay, in tuition and fees, more than twice as much as what Mr. Frye calculates it costs to educate a student. Also, there is basically no financial aid to international undergraduates. So the financial benefit for the institution should be obvious, not even counting the extraordinary economic impact of foreign students to the economy of our state. Thus, the financial side of Mr. Frye's claims rests on non-

Perhaps, then, his claim is a broader one: That K-State should not engage in relationships with certain nations that have social, political, economic or religious differences with the U.S. This would obviously be absurd. All major U.S. public institutions, including land-grant institu-

tions, have a wide variety of strong connections with the countries listed by Mr. Frye, from research collaborations, to student and faculty exchanges, to joint teaching endeavors. In the context of Vision 2025, the universities that are now where we want to be in 13 years, for instance, have chapters of Confucius Institutes, major agricultural, engineering and business collaborations with China and vibrant international student bodies that include Chinese as well as Turkish, Iranian, Iraqi and Afghan undergraduates and graduates. At Kansas State, we have deans, department heads and extraordinary faculty and staff from these countries. We have exciting collaborations with universities and other institutions from some of the countries mentioned - collaborations that are extremely important for our colleges, from Veterinary Medicine and Agriculture, to Arts and Sciences and Human Ecology, to name a few. For instance, Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine have collaborated with the National Guard to produce a curriculum for agricultural training in Afghanistan; Arts and Sciences is organizing this summer a graduate seminar in Istanbul on democratic theory. Last

students, including very importantly our Chinese students, offer an extraordinary opportunity to our own American students to become globally prepared. Employers require that type of preparedness from college graduates and K-State would be neglecting its mission if it denied its students that opportunity. Mr. Frye should know at least some of these facts, so maybe this is not his claim. So what

is his claim? At this point Mr. Frye's thesis seems to be simply that KSU should not accept students from certain countries, regardless of their contribution. Here, we should remind Mr. Frye that it would be illegal for K-State, as a recipient of federal financial assistance, to discriminate in college admissions because of national origin (as well as ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability or religion for that matter). And there is an ethically based reason that justifies the illegality of discrimination: Bigotry is

K-State welcoming attitude to all international students and its commitment to international education is, as it should be, at an all-time high.

Marcelo Sabatés, Ph.D. interim associate provost for international programs

To the Editor:

existing "facts."

I read with outrage an opinion piece in Friday's Collegian by Sean Frye: "Public universities should not accept students from countries that have bad relations with the US." The main target of the article is the 938 Chinese students at K-State, which accounts for 96 percent of the students that article claims should not have been admitted to K-State, although the article also includes countries of Afghanistan, Iran, Iraq and Turkey as collateral. Being the faculty adviser to the Chinese Students and Scholars Union (formerly Chinese Students and Scholars Association and Chinese Student Support Council) at K-State and being a Chinese faculty member who had been a student in the U.S., to say that I am outraged

is an understatement.
One of Sean's arguments is that, since China is under communist rule, and according to some predictions that China will become a superpower soon, the Chinese people will "undoubtedly become the enemies of the U.S." Although it is merely

an opinion piece, the fact that such an opinion can be published in Collegian paints an ugly picture of bigotry and hatred toward the Chinese community at K-State. On behalf of the Chinese students and Chinese faculty members at K-State, I would like to express our greatest disappointment for allowing such an opinion piece to be published in Collegian.

but not least, international

Aside from showing his complete lack of understanding of international affairs (despite being a student in journalism and mass communications), Sean also shows his critical lack of understanding of matters concerning himself: the tuition and subsidies. He claims that the state of Kansas subsidizes each international student more than \$7,000 per year. The fact is exactly the opposite. International students pay a tuition rate that is about three times of that for American students. The true figure is that an average full-time non-resident student is paying roughly \$11,500 more in tuition per year than a resident student. This fact might help Sean understand why there is a sudden influx of Chinese students in the time of great financial difficulties in the states across the U.S. In addition, they also made significant contributions to our local economy. I believe it would be more appropriate for the responsible authorities at K-State to come to Collegian to clarify this fact. I certainly hope that this would happen.

We live in an era of glo-balization and diversity. We should not work to split the difference among us, to project bigotry and hatred among us, to bring back the cold-war mentality to the campus and to narrow our world views. We should work together to build a more inclusive community and an enchanting learning environment so that we can prepare our students to embrace a globalized and peaceful world of tomorrow.

Liang-Wu Cai, Sc.D. faculty adviser for the Chinese Students and Scholars Union (formerly the Chinese Students and Scholars Association and the Chinese Student Support Council) associate professor of

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engineering

To the Editor:

Milton Friedman used to say that economic change precedes political change. The opening up of world trade has done more to change China than any political reform might have accomplished. Unfortunately our foreign policy is replete with embargoes that punish innocent people on the ground and do nothing but reinforce local tyrants. Trade is a force for peace, maybe our only hope. In the words of another great liberal thinker, Frederic Bastiat, "When goods don't cross borders, soldiers will."

Therefore, I must say that Mr. Frye has it exactly backward in his piece "Public universities..." of Feb. 24. Delivering educational services, especially higher education, to foreign nationals is part of the peace effort. It's the reason why these foreigners would want to sell their work and their goods to us, so they can earn dollars that they can then spend to come and get educated in our great university system. As long as these channels of exchange stay open we can expect to keep war at bay, so it is exactly to the countries we have most problems with that we should extend an open invitation to come spend their dollars over

Once the benefits of open trade are understood, the distinctions that Mr. Frye makes about public versus private universities become irrelevant. In fact "public" universities only get a minor percentage of their funding from tax-payer money, and private universities also might very well receive federal grants, etc. If Mr. Frye wants to make a general case against tax-payer money going to subsidize education, that's fine, but

unfortunately he picked the wrong example. If it's a good thing that people from all over the world strive to come here to get their education, then it's a good thing full-stop, independently of a person's country of origin and independently of the institution providing said services.

Sincerely

Pietro Poggi-Corradini professor of mathematics

RSBB | 'Blues is a way to let out emotions'

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hadn't played a public gig in a while. He said there tends to be more energy and feedback in public places, rather than being hired to perform at a party or even a funeral. He also said it was fun to be in a place with such a lively crowd.

"We have performed here one or two times previous to this time," Friebe said. "The last times were just as good as this one. It tends to get packed and the atmosphere is always good."

Dyer said the Red Rocks Tavern is not a typical college hangout type of bar. He said that although most places around town are for college students, Red Rocks Tavern was not designed specifically for college-age customers, even though there were college students present at the event.

Dyer said blues is a type of music that is there to lift you up, not to make you feel down.

"Blues is a way to let out emotions," Friebe said. "It is an emotional genre. Because we only play blues we are able to connect as a group with the music we perform. We are a tight knit group and when we perform, we have fun and we hope that everyone in the audience has fun too."

BINGO | 'It was intense', says Xbox 360 winner

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have and also considered that a large portion of the event's participants live in residence halls.

"We try to get things that don't really require cooking," he said.
From a participant's

From a participant's perspective, McHenry said that the selection of groceries was "awesome."

"They had so many things to pick from," McHenry said. "I went for some good junk food snacks, but also some practical things, like laundry detergent."

For the final bingo round of the night, the first participant to get a blackout and shout "Bingo!" would leave as the proud new owner of an Xbox 360.

One student in particular, Laura Walker, sophomore in communication sciences and disorders, stood out in her excitement and anticipation to win the Xbox 360.

With the announcement of every number, she bounced out of her chair more and more.

"I was very, very anxious and confident in my ability to win," Walker said. "My strategy was to keep the same bingo card the entire night, be loyal to that one card, and I would reap the benefits in the end."

Unfortunately for Walker, her strategy did not work out. Instead, Colby Hart, Manhattan resident, was the first to attain a blackout and won the Xbox 360.

Hart said the final round started off slowly for him, but picked up toward the end and concluded with him winning.

"I was losing the entire time, while my girlfriend was constantly winning," Hart said. "I only came for the Xbox and I've never won a grand prize in anything so it was a big deal for me. It was intense."





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